

N A T I O N A L
AMERICAN INDIAN
& ALASKA NATIVE
HERITAGE
MONTH
NOVEMBER 2000



IHS

Opening Ceremony

Nov. 1

10:00 AM Rockville Civic Center

F. Scott Fitzgerald Theatre
603 Edmonston Drive, Rockville, MD

*Special Presentation: Randy L. Teton, Model for Sacagawea Coin
Exhibits, Refreshments, Music, Red War Pony Drum*

YEARS OF SERVICE AWARDS

NAVAJO AREA OFFICE

45 Years of Service

Ms. Marie Perry
Medical Records Technician
Tuba City Service Unit

Ms. Martha Morgan
Dental Assistant
Crownpoint Service Unit

Ms. Loretta Watchman
Clinical Nurse
Fort Defiance Service Unit

Ms. Kathleen Mahooty
Practical Nurse
Gallup Service Unit

40 Years of Service

Ms. Alice Moore
Supervisory Dental Assistant
Gallup Service Unit

Ms. Marietta Coin
Practical Nurse
Tuba City Service Unit

Ms. Ella Arthur
Nursing Assistant
Shiprock Service Unit

OKLAHOMA AREA OFFICE

40 Years of Service

Ms. Yvonne Monetatchi
Nurse Specialist
Lawton IHS Hospital

Ms. Rosie Bustamente
Practical Nurse
Lawton IHS Hospital

COMMISSIONED CORPS SERVICE AWARDS

ABERDEEN AREA OFFICE

Distinguished Service Medal with Valor
LCDR Bruce A. Chandler

Outstanding Service Medal with Valor
CDR Terry J. Schleisman

Outstanding Service Medal
LCDR Calvin D. Clifford

ALBUQUERQUE AREA OFFICE

Distinguished Service Medal
CAPT Fred B. Skrepinski

NAVAJO AREA OFFICE

Outstanding Service Medal
CDR Joseph S. Salay

OKLAHOMA AREA OFFICE

Meritorious Service Medal
CAPT Samuel M. Hope
CAPT Randy E. Grinnell

PHOENIX AREA OFFICE

Distinguished Service Medal
CAPT John R. Hamilton (retired)

Meritorious Service Medal
CAPT Michael R. Huylebroeck

Outstanding Service Medal
CAPT Bonnie M. Farinas
CAPT Gregory T. Smith
CAPT Lauren C. Tancona

TUCSON AREA OFFICE

Outstanding Service Medal
CAPT James C. Myers (retired)

Headquarters, Indian Health Service

Distinguished Service Medal
CAPT Richard F. Barror
CAPT William H. Haffner

Meritorious Service Medal
CAPT Mark F. Delaney (retired)
CAPT E. Crispin Kinney

Outstanding Service Medal
CAPT William A. Lowe (retired)
CAPT Richard D. Melton
LCDR Mark R. Thomas

ABERDEEN AREA OFFICE

Ms. Joan Kelly

For exemplary performance of duties in accomplishing the mission of the Aberdeen Area office.

The Chargemaster Team

For improvements to the delivery of health care as related to reimbursement, quality, quantity, and continuum of care

CAPT Sara K. Dye
Mr. Duane B. Renville
Ms. Letha Rennels
CAPT Steve Scheuermann
Ms. Dorothy Vershure

CAPT Elaine Miller
Ms. Emma Hutcheson
Ms. LaVerne Parker
Ms. Madonna Long
Ms. Nancy Davis

Oglala Disaster Relief Effort

For superior performance during the Oglala disaster recovery efforts

CAPT William Axlund
CAPT Curtis Bossert
CAPT Rodney Coker
CDR Robert Reiss
LCDR Jack Sorum
Ms. Janice Bohling
Mr. Jerald Dillion
Mr. Clint Gray
LT Cecil Means II

LT James Begeman
LTJG Mark Byrd
LCDR Scott Helgeson
LT Brent Rohlfis
Mr. Gerald Bettelyoun
Mr. Charles Boulais
Mr. Charles Gotheridge
LCDR Calvin Clifford
Mr. Shane Hyde

ALASKA AREA OFFICE

Mr. James Armbrust

For significant contributions to improving the health status of IHS beneficiaries through empowerment of AI/AN tribes in support of self-governance

Mr. Bob Sam

For outstanding efforts that have contributed to the mental, social, and spiritual health of AI/AN

Ms. Sherry D. Foster

For outstanding accomplishment on publications now available on the website for the Alaska area

ALBUQUERQUE AREA OFFICE

CAPT Roger Gollub

For outstanding initiative and leadership in applying epidemiological knowledge and skills in accomplishment of the IHS and tribal communities missions

CDR George Haddy

For outstanding performance as dental provider and health center director which has positively impacted on the health of the Ysleta del Sur Pueblo

Tribal Development Team

For outstanding performance on behalf of the tribes to develop an alliance for health through increased resources and services

Ms. Joyce Naseyowma
Mr. Joseph Moquino
Mr. Joseph Little

Zuni Elder Care Planning Committee

For outstanding commitment and dedication in the development of services to the elderly for the Pueblo of Zuni Community

Ms. Jean Othole, Chief Executive Officer

Ms. Jolene Luna, Health Educator

Mr. George Tadiasi, CHR Program

Mr. Bruce Finke, Elder Care Program

LCDR Rebecca Grizzle, Performance Improvement/Risk Manager

Ms. Jeannie Lastlyano, Senior Companion/Poster Grandparents

Ms. Lorencita Mahkee, Senior Center Advisory Board Member

Ms. Rebecca Ondelacy, Native Employment Works Program

Ms. Theresa Bowannine, Zuni Home Health Care Agency

Ms. Karen Leekity, Title VI Program, Zuni Senior Center

Ms. Terry Wyaco, Zuni Entrepreneurial Enterprises

Ms. Antoinette Fontenelle, Zuni Housing Authority

Ms. Carmelita Sanchez, Zuni Tribal Health Board

Ms. Rebecca Quam, Zuni Tribal Social Services

Mr. Robert Currier, PhD, Clinical Psychologist

Ms. Rita Lorenzo, Zuni Tribal Social Services

Ms. Shirley Belson, Zuni Tribal Administrator

Mr. Danny Ukestine, Zuni Recovery Center

Ms. Mary Hooee, Zuni Tribal Health Board

Ms. Charlotte Bradley, Elder Day Program

Ms. Margaret Dosodo, Zuni Senior Center

Ms. Rhonda Panteah, Staff Development

Ms. Sheryl McClure, Public Health Nurse

LT Ernestine Higdon, Physical Therapist

Ms. Linda Terrell, RN, Nurse Educator

CDR LuDel White, Pharmacist

LCDR Kent Anderson, Dentist

BEMIDJI AREA OFFICE

Mr. Phil Norrgard

For exceptional leadership and administrative management as the Health Director of the Fond du Lac Reservation

Mr. Jon McArthur

For outstanding service to the mission of the IHS and to the Indian people

Budget Formulation Team

For dedication and professional leadership provided for the improvement of the health care of Indian people

Mr. Galashkibos, Lac Courte Oreilles Governing Board, Wisconsin

Ms. Robin Carufel, Pete Christenson Health Center, Wisconsin

Ms. Arlene Naganashe, Little Traverse Bay Band of Michigan

BILLINGS AREA OFFICE

Dr. Leonard Bauer, Lame Deer Service Unit

For outstanding service and dedication to providing high quality, patient oriented care

Pryor Health Clinic

For exceptional initiative and leadership in carrying out the planning and development of the Pryor Health Clinic

Ms. Rosalind Brush
Ms. Sandy Fisher
Ms. Kris Judd
Ms. Dorothy Spotted Bear
Ms. Valerie Turns Plenty
Mr. Orlene Wight

Ms. Connie Comes Up
Mr. Kip Jacobson
Mr. Richard Little Light
Ms. Margo Stutterheim
Ms. Laurie Vogeles

Fort Peck Service Unit Administration Team

For improving patient care through an active Customer Service Committee

Ms. Edna Wetsit
Ms. Julie Bemer
Dr. Roman Henderickson

Mr. Charles Headdress
Mr. Garrett Big Leggins
Ms. Jackie Hippie

CALIFORNIA AREA OFFICE

Mr. John Jeng

For initiative and commitment to providing cost-effective water-systems services to Indian people

Mr. J. Paul Redeagle

For exemplary leadership of PL 93-638 Self Determination contracting and compacting for the California Area

Mr. Harry Weiss

For exceptional achievement, dedication and commitment in meeting the objectives of the IHS mission

Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA)

For outstanding efforts in support of GPRA and contributions to improving the health status of AI/AN

Dr. Ralph Ettinger

Ms. Pat Callison

Dr. Jerry Gordon

Ms. Janet Bergemann

Ms. Dawn LeBlanc

Ms. LaMerle Fridley

Ms. Carol Goodin

Mr. Steve Lopez

NASHVILLE AREA OFFICE

Ms. Roseanne Doane

For outstanding volunteer efforts, which have improved the quality of patient care at the Cherokee Indian Hospital

Mr. Christopher Lamer

For exceptional performance and innovative work

Cherokee Hospital Flow Team

For outstanding teamwork in implementing the Triclinic format and substantively improving patient, employee, and tribal satisfaction with the Cherokee health system

Ms. Roseanne Doane

Ms. Wilma Jones

Ms. Joy Smith

Ms. Ernestine Crowe

Mr. John Saloli Lossiah

Ms. Veronica Via

Ms. Barbara Hardy

Ms. Annette Shelton

Ms. Karen Taylor

Ms. Sheila Standingdeer

Ms. Ruth Saunooke

Mr. John Wolfe

NAVAJO AREA OFFICE

Ms. Jennine Jones

For exemplary service as the Navajo Area Personnel Officer

Ms. Patricia Wilson

For organizational skills, leadership of the secretarial team, and contributions promoting an initial favorable image for guests and employees of the Office of the Director, NAIHS

Mr. Christopher Percy

For unsurpassed dedication in the pursuit of health for individual patients and national leadership in the development of health promotion and disease prevention programs for AI/AN

Ms. Genevieve Notah

For exemplary and sustained performance as Program Planning Officer, Facilities Planner, Urban Coordinator, Public Information Officer, and for coordination of the Strategic Health Plan for the Navajo Area

OKLAHOMA AREA OFFICE

Area Redesign Group for Excellence and Teamwork

For exemplary efforts in designing, organizing, implementing, and completing an organization redesign for the IHS Oklahoma City Area

Ms. Pat Bartmess

Mr. Ron Grinnell

Ms. Angela Kihega

Ms. Debra Isham

Ms. Bernadine Tolbert

CAPT George Chiarchiaro

Mr. Larry Factor

Ms. Ranell Harry

Mr. Luke McIntosh

Ms. Marjorie Rogers

CAPT Marty Oberly

CAPT Randy Grinnell

Mock Survey Team

For outstanding service and consultation in preparing facility staffs for JCAHO Accreditation Surveys

CAPT Karen A. Begay

Ms. M. Angela Kihega

Ms. Rebecca Loving

Dr. Charles Hays

Mr. Jack Christy

CAPT Samuel Hope

PHOENIX AREA OFFICE

Dr. Wayne Mitchell

For exemplary efforts on behalf of AI/AN elders, social workers, and communities

Ms. Anne Susan

For outstanding leadership of the Planning Program as interim Senior Planner and Chair of the HSP National Steering Committee and RRM Technical Advisory Group

CAPT Thomas Gann

For a career of distinguished service to AI/AN

PORTLAND AREA OFFICE

Mr. Rodney Smith

For superior service as the Health Director for the Puyallup Tribal Health Authority, in developing excellence in services, staff, facilities, public health practice including, and incorporation of traditional healing

Mr. Michael Crocker

For commitment to the community of health and for representing all the values of the IHS in service to the Puyallup Tribal Health Authority

Diabetes Team

For exceptional initiative and leadership as well as innovative approaches of national importance in improving AI/AN diabetes surveillance

Dr. Lawrence Robertson

Ms. Melissa Bernard

Ms. Kelly Gonzales

Facilities Pilot Project Team

For work performed in developing and implementing the Facilities Pilot Project which provided major improvements to health care facilities in five Northwest tribal communities.

Mr. Richard Truitt

Mr. Wesley Bell

TUCSON AREA OFFICE

Dr. Dale Armstrong

For exceptional initiative and leadership in improving the Tucson Area information and technology systems

OFFICE OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Ms. Elizabeth Fowler

For sustained high quality performance and dedication to the IHS mission in formulation of the IHS budget

Dr. Kelly Acton

For outstanding contributions to the prevention and treatment of diabetes in AI/AN

Ms. Gayle Satepauhoodle

For sustained dedication and exemplary work ethic in support of the facilities programs of the IHS

Capt Candace Jones

For outstanding dedication to the prevention of oral disease among AI/AN

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT SUPPORT

Ms. Barbara Davis

For exemplary performance of duties in Human Resources and accomplishing the mission of the IHS

Ms. M. Jean Ross

For exceptional contributions to tribal self governance and the execution of the IHS budget

Mr. Bruce Kertcher

For exemplary performance of duties in Human Resources and accomplishing the mission of the IHS

Ms. Jeanelle Raybon

For outstanding accomplishments as the Acting Director, Program Integrity and Ethics Staff

Mr. Darrell Pratt

For exceptional contributions to the recruitment and retention of health professionals for Indian health programs

Ms. Kitty Marx

For sustained, superior performance while working on highly-complex Health Care Financing Administration issues

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

Ms. Sharon Hoppman

For exemplary performance of duties in support of the mission of the IHS

Mr. Tony Kendrick

For exceptional contributions to Union-Management Partnership Councils in the IHS

Ms. Barbara Hudson

For exemplary support of the IHS mission and outstanding advice in implementing Indian self-determination

Mr. Duke McCloud

For exemplary support of the IHS mission and outstanding advice in implementing Indian self-determination

Tribal Self Governance Advisory Committee & Technical Workgroup

For outstanding recommendations and advice provided to the Director, IHS, which furthered the partnership and collaboration between the IHS and AI/AN tribes

Mr. Bill Schaaf, Mille Laes Band of Ojibwe

Ms. Cyndi Holmes, Jamestown S'Klallam

Ms. Anna Sorrell, Salish and Kootenai

Mr. Dale Nachreiner, Lummi Nation

Mr. Dave Mather, Alaska, HQE-OTSG

Ms. Lisa Brown, Chickasaw Nation

CAPT Ron Ferguson, HQE-DFEE

CAPT Eric Broderick, HQE-OPH

Mr. Cliff Wiggins, HQE-OD

Mr. J. Mike Wood, Portland Area Office, Federal Co-Chairman

Mr. Mickey Peercy, Choctaw Nation, Tribal Co-Chairman

Mr. Tim Martin, United South and Eastern Tribes (USET)

Mr. Steve Weaver, Alaska Native Health Consortium

Mr. Don Eubanks, Mille Laes Band of Ojibwe

Mr. Dennis Heffington, California Area Office

Ms. Mary L. "Susie Guardipee, HQE-OTSG

Mr. Max Tahsuda, Phoenix Area Office

Ms. Sybil Sangrey, Chippewa Cree of the Rocky's Boy Reservation

Mr. Rusty Tahsuda, Phoenix Area Office

P.L. 93-638 Leadership Team

For outstanding and exemplary performance and contributions which have had a significant impact toward advancing the mission of the IHS and the self-determination of all AI/AN tribes

Ms. Sara Matte

Ms. Evelyn Dwimoh

Mr. Leslie Morris

Mr. Lovell Hopper

CAPT James Garvie

RADM Craig Vanderwagon

Ms. Paula Williams

Mr. Duke McCloud

Ms. Kitty Marx

Ms. Doreen Chino-Lente

Mr. Ronald Demaray

RADM Gary Hartz

CAPT Richard Barror

TAG Group

For outstanding performance in the development of the "First Nations" training program to improve professional performance of IHS support staff

Ms. Sharon Hoppman

Ms. Olivia Buckley

Ms. Tracey Musselman

Ms. Teddra Penland

Ms. Sharon Folgar